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Dear faculty and postdocs,

I am delighted to announce the appointment of **Erin Heckler** to serve as our new **Associate Provost for Postdoctoral Affairs**. Erin will report directly to me in my new role as Vice Provost for Postdoctoral Affairs and jointly to Tony Koleske, YSM Deputy Dean for Scientific Affairs.

Erin will lead our expanded commitment to recruitment, training and career development support for postdoctoral associates and fellows across the university and manage the staff of the current Office of Postdoctoral Affairs. Included in this expanded commitment will be collaborative efforts with the Poorvu Center, the Office of Career Strategy, the Office of International Students and Scholars, several of our diversity and inclusion offices around campus, and the Yale Postdoctoral Association.

After a nation-wide search and interviews with an extremely strong pool of candidates, Erin distinguished herself through her outstanding accomplishments, most recently at Washington University in St. Louis where she is currently the Director of Postdoctoral Affairs. Prior to Washington University, she served as the University of Chicago's Postdoctoral Affairs Administrator for Biological Sciences. Erin also serves on a number of national advisory panels and is an active participant in the National Postdoctoral Association's efforts.

Erin received her BA in Chemistry from Rutgers University, her PhD in Biochemistry from the University of Delaware, and completed her postdoctoral training at Rutgers University's New Jersey Medical School campus.

I would like to once again thank John Alvaro for his leadership of our Office of Postdoctoral affairs, and wish him continued success in his new role as Associate Dean for BBS and Training Grants in the Graduate School.

Erin will be joining us virtually on June 1, and in person once we return to campus. Please join me in welcoming her to Yale.

Sincerely,  
Lynn Cooley

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